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Tariq M. Rana

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For: ALLELE-TARGETED RNA INTERFERENCE

Examiner: Kimberly Chong

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is being filed in response to the non-final Office Action dated April 2, 2007 (Paper No. 20070322). A separate petition for the appropriate extension of time in which to respond is being filed concurrently herewith. Responsive to the Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.